FORM <b>CD-326</b> (REV. 9-97) LF	U.S.	DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE		
(KEV. 337) El		INDIVIDUAL		
RECOMMENDATION	FOR RECOGNITION	GROUP		
1. NAME OF EMPLOYEE	2. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER			
3. ORGANIZATION	4. APPROPRIATION CODE			
	5. PERIOD OF RECOGNITION			
6. TYPE AND AMOUNT OF RECOGNITION: (Guidance available on reverse side	e, see Item 7.)			
SPECIAL ACT OR SERVICE AWARD \$ SPECIAL	OPERATING UNIT AWARD	_ CASH \$		
CASH-IN-A-FLASH (CIAF) ( \$50 \$100 \$150 \$200 \$250 TOTAL YEAR-TO-DATE (Does not include amount)   \$300 \$350 \$350 \$400 \$450 \$500 \$				
ON-THE-SPOT AWARD (OTS) - ITEM	TIME OFF AWARD - NUMBER OF HO	OURS		
7. ESTIMATED FIRST-YEAR BENEFITS (For Special Act or Service Awards ON	LY)			
TANGIBLE \$ INTANGIBLE BENEFITS (Check one box on each line.)				
MODERATE [	SUBSTANTIAL HIGH	EXCEPTIONAL		
LIMITED [	EXTENDED BROAD	GENERAL		
TYPE NAME AND SIGN:				
9. IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR		DATE		
10. REVIEWING OFFICIAL (If required)		DATE		
11. APPROVING OFFICIAL (If required)	-	DATE		
12. HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE (If required)		DATE		
13. IMPREST FUND CASHIER (Cash-in-a-Flash Award ONLY)		DATE		
14. EMPLOYEE/RECEIPT OF CASH (Cash-in-a-Flash Award ONLY)		DATE		

## INSTRUCTIONS AND DEFINITIONS

- Name of Employee(s) If it is a group award, put "See Attached List' in this Block (and Blocks 2, 3, and 4) and in the cash award amount part of Block 6 and attach a separate sheet of paper with the information from Blocks 2, 3, 4, and 6 for each nominee.
- **Period of Recognition** (Does not apply to On-the-Spot Awards). The period of time in which the contribution was made. For Cash-in-a-Flash Awards, this may be as little as one hour or one day.
- Type and Amount of Recognition Use this form ONLY for the types of awards indicated.
- Estimated First-Year Benefits (For Special Act or Service Awards ONLY). To calculate the estimated first-year benefits, you may use the scales 7. listed below.

## SCALE FOR COMPUTING AWARDS FOR TANGIBLE BENEFITS

If the amount of the benefit is

less than \$250

\$250 - \$10,000 \$10.001 - \$100.000 \$100,000 or more

then the amount of the award is

no cash award. 10% of benefits.

\$1,000 plus 3% to 10% of benefits over \$10,000.

\$3,700 to \$10,000 for the first \$100,000 plus 0.5% to 1% of benefits over

\$100,000.

- **Notes:** 1. Round off the amount of awards and benefits to the nearest \$1.
  - 2. Awards are based on estimated first-year benefits.
  - 3. Presidential approval is required for awards more than \$25,000.

## SCALE FOR COMPUTING AWARDS FOR INTANGIBLE BENEFITS

STEP 1 If the contribution affects functions, mission, or personnel of

Limited One office or facility.

Several offices, facilities, locations, or an Area Service Center (ASC). Extended

Broad All ASCs or an operating unit of the Department.

Several operating units, The Department, or in the public interest of the nation. General

AND

STEP 2 The Benefit is

Moderate A change which has rather limited impact.

Substantial Significant change in a policy, procedure, or service. Complete revision of a policy, procedure, or service. High Initiation of a new policy or major procedure, or service. Exceptional

**THEN** 

STEP 3 The Award amount is

	Limited	Extended	Broad	General
Moderate	\$25 - \$125	\$125 - \$325	\$325 - \$650	\$650 - \$1,300
Substantial	\$125 - \$325	\$325 - \$650	\$650 - \$1,300	\$1,300 - \$3,150
High	\$325 - \$650	\$650 - \$1,300	\$1,300 - \$3,150	\$3,150 - \$6,300
Exceptional	\$650 - \$1,300	\$1,300 - \$3,150	\$3,150 - \$6,300	\$6,300 - \$10,000

NOTES: An award from \$10,001 to \$25,000 may be granted only with approval of OPM. An award above \$25,000 may be granted only with approval of the President.

- Narrative The narrative must be brief and to the point. Describe in concise, non-bureaucratic language what the employee did to deserve this award. The narrative must address the specific award criteria. Cite specific examples to clearly support the nomination.
- 13. Imprest Fund Cashier (For Cash-in-a-Flash Awards ONLY). The imprest fund cashier must sign documenting the disbursement of the cash payment.
- 14. Employee/Receipt of Cash (For Cash-in-a-Flash Awards ONLY). The awardee must sign this form after he or she has been presented the cash payment. The date the employee receives the cash payment is the EFFECTIVE DATE.

